

about that. Senator Cudaback certainly didn't want to talk about that at that point. This, if you look at 1114, 229 and 1085, what you are doing on this will have a profound, potential profound effect on outcomes on those elections. I don't think there are too many in the body who would want to hurt a school district's chances. And so, consequently, I assume that most people in the body would tell a school district if they were asked for an opinion, gee, should we do it by mail ballot so we have more participation so it 's more democratic? Or should we narrow the base so we have a better chance? I wonder how many senators would say, no, no, no, let's narrow the base so we...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...have a better chance. And so the whole concept of trying to increase voter turnout doesn't turn into that at all. It turns into a debate as to how many people do you want to participate. After this amendment, there are a couple of other amendments. One certainly is going to be that we go...if we're going to go the route, let's go the route and let's add candidates as well. So with that, I end the opening at least on the bracket motion.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bernard-Stevens, yours is the next light on.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I assume there are no other lights at this point.

SPEAKER WITHEM: There is one other light.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I want to jump shift just a little bit and talk about some of the things that were not talked about on property taxes which will directly affect what schools are going to have to do and will be directly affected by this bill on how the elections will occur. One of the things that was not talked about directly, though certainly indirectly it was, and certainly directly I think many members of the body and probably most members of the body understand very clearly what's going to happen. One of the things that will happen when you have he spending caps in the beginning and then later the property levy...the levy capped on that on schools, and, again, I'm just